

PRESS RELEASE

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RE: UNITED STATES v. DARRYL TOLLIVER

United States Attorney Terrance P. Flynn announced today the conviction of Darryl Tolliver, of the City of Buffalo, with being a prior felon in possession of a weapon, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1), carrying a maximum penalty of ten years imprisonment.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael DiGiacomo, who handled the case, stated that the defendant was arrested after officers assigned to the FBI Career Criminal Task Force found a loaded Hi-Point 9mm caliber handgun hidden in his car. The defendant, at the time the officers found the gun, had two prior felony convictions--one in 1997 for Robbery and a 1999 conviction of Attempted Criminal Possession of a loaded weapon. The defendant was prosecuted federally under Project Exile. Project Exile is a federal initiative that is designed to get guns off the streets and out of the hands of convicted felons.

The conviction was the culmination of an investigation on the part of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Laurie Bennett, and the Amherst Police

Department, under the direction of Chief John Moslow.

Sentencing is scheduled for August 31, 2006, before Chief Judge Richard J. Arcara, United States District Court.